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SUBJECT: UN ADMINISTRATION: IMPROVING SECURITY COUNCIL WORK AREA

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1. SC MEMBERS HAVE RECEIVED COPIES OF LETTER DATED NOVEMBER 19 FROM SYG WALDHEIM TO SC PRESIDENT MALIK RESPONDING TO LETTER OF AUGUST 15 (REFTEL) REQUESTING PLANS AND COST ESTIMATES FOR IMPROVING SC WORK AREA (POUCHING LETTER AND ENCLOSURES TO IO HENNES AND KRIEBEL). MEMBERS HAVE BEEN INFORMALLY REQUESTED BY SECRETARIAT AND SC PRESIDENT MALIK TO COMMUNICATE THEIR COMMENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT BUDGETARY PROCESSES CAN BE COMPLETED DURING PRESENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

2. JAPANESE HAVE OF COURSE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO SUPPORT OF IMPROVEMENTS. SOVS TELL US THEY ARE PREPARED TO GO ALONG PEACEABLY. BRITISH AND FRENCH HAVE TAKEN NO FIRM POSITION BUT STAFFERS IN BOTH MISSIONS QUESTION WHETHER EXPENDITURE OF MORE THAN HALF MILLION DOLLARS JUSTIFIED FOR MODEST IMPROVEMENTS IN EFFICIENCY AND CONVENIENCE. IRONICALLY, SC CONSULTATIONS AT WHICH LETTER DISTRIBUTED NOVEMBER 20, TOOK

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PLACE IN CONFERENCE ROOM IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AREA.

TANZANIAN AND GUYANESE REPRESENTATIVES BOTH EXPRESSED PRIVATELY THEIR DOUBTS ABOUT WISDOM OF EXPENDITURE GIVEN FACT ADEQUATE GA CONFERENCE ROOM SPACE AVAILABLE AS ALTERNATIVE TO ADMITTEDLY CRAMPED QUARTERS TRADITIONALLY USED FOR CONSULTATIONS IN SC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHETHER THEY WILL MAINTAIN THIS POSITION ON THE RECORD.

3. AS STATED IN SYG LETTER, SHOULD SC MEMBERS AGREE, PROPOSAL WOULD BE INCLUDED IN SYG'S REVIEWED BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1976-77 TO BE SUBMITTED SHORTLY.

COMMENT: THIS PROPOSAL APPARENTLY WILL BE TAKEN UP BY ACABQ AND FIFTH COMMITTEE UNDER AGENDA ITEM 96 (VIII) (A/C. 5/L.1225/REV.2), INCLUDING A/9854 AND ADD.1. IN LATTER, SYG SUGGESTS ALL ASPECTS OF HEADQUARTERS ACCOMMODATION "BE DEALT WITH IN A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT" TO BE SUBMITTED TO UNGA AT THIRTY-FIRST SESSION. ACAGQ HAS NOT AS YET COMPLETED ACTION ON SUBJECT AND SUBMITTED REPORT TO FIFTH COMMITTEE ALTHOUGH TENDENCY IN ACABQ IS TO SUPPORT ABOVE-MENTIONED APPROACH OF SYG IN A/9854/ADD.1.
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